

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0020] of the Specification as follows:

[0020] The above mentioned components are arranged on an opening roller housing 11. This housing 11 comprises at least one circumferential surface 12, which surrounds the opening roller 7 over a part of its circumference to form an annular ~~space~~¹³ space 13. A fiber feed channel 14 begins in the opening roller housing 11, which channel 14 feeds the opened single fibers 2 from the combing structure 8 of the opening roller 7 to a spinning rotor (not shown). The spinning rotor and thus the annular space 13 are connected for this purpose to a vacuum source (not shown) which serves the transport of the single fibers 2.